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51/6. Observer status for the International Seabed Authority in the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Aware of the importance of the effective implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 1/ and of the Agreement relating to the Implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, 2/ and their uniform consistent application, as well as of the growing need to promote and facilitate international cooperation on the law of the sea and ocean affairs at the global, regional and subregional levels,

Noting the decision of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority at its resumed second session to seek observer status for the Authority at the United Nations in order to enable it to participate in the deliberations of the General Assembly,

1. Decides to invite the International Seabed Authority to participate in the deliberations of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;

1/ Official Records of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea, vol. XVII (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.84.V.3), document A/CONF.62/122.

2/ Resolution 48/263, annex.

2. Requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to implement the present resolution.

40th plenary meeting
24 October 1996